

APOLLO DISTRICT INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMS January 2012

PLEASE NOTE: *all programs are subject to cancellation and/or rescheduling* due to staff limitations, weather conditions, or other factors. Some programs require reservations, a minimum age, or a cost-recovery fee. Call 386-428-3384 ext. 0 for program information during operating hours (9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.), www.nps.gov/cana. Entrance fees apply to all interpretive program participants. All programs meet the requirements for the Canaveral National Seashore Junior Ranger program.

SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS – 10 AM AND 1:30 PM --

“PONTOON BOAT CRUISE: THE BACKWATERS OF MOSQUITO LAGOON”

Take a leisurely cruise to the places that lend character to this vital estuary. On our pontoon boat, *Tortuga del Sol*, our licensed captains and experienced mates are trained to provide you with a memorable and safe park water tour. Join us for a two-hour journey as we depart from the Visitor Center on most Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays at 10:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., weather permitting. RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED and SPACE IS LIMITED. A cost recovery fee of \$20.00 per person is charged for all passengers. Call (386) 428-3384 ext. 0 to reserve space.

WEDNESDAY 4TH – 10 AM - “CASTLE WINDY WALK”

Join a park ranger as you take an easy 1 mile round trip walk down Castle Windy trail. Learn about the flora and fauna that make hardwood hammocks beautiful. Meet at parking area #3. Hat, sunscreen and water recommended. (1 hour)

THURSDAY 5TH, 12TH, 19TH, 26TH - 10:00 AM - “CANOE MOSQUITO LAGOON”

Reservations will be accepted a week before the canoe date. Join a guide as you explore this rich and diverse estuary up close. Some experience is preferred. You must be at least 8 years old and able to paddle. You must wear covered shoes (no sandals or flip-flops). Bring water, sunscreen and a hat. Dress to get wet. Individuals with their own kayaks or canoes are welcome to join in. Call (386) 428-3384 ext. 0 to reserve your spot. Meet at the Visitors Information Center at 9:45 a.m. We will leave promptly at 10:00 a.m.

SATURDAY 7TH, 14TH, 21ST, 28TH – 1 PM “EXPLORE THE SEASHORE VIA DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY”

Explore the seashore with a digital camera. We will compose the picture and learn about the natural history of the dunes/beach environment. Bring sunscreen and water. If you have a digital camera you can bring it. Or use ours. Meet at Parking Lot #2.

WEDNESDAY 11TH - 11:00 AM - "TIMUCUAN TALK"

Walk to the top of Turtle Mound and learn what life was like for the Timucuan Indians 2,000 years ago. Bring sunscreen and water. Meet at Turtle Mound. (1 hour)

FRIDAY 13TH, 27TH - 10:00 AM- "COAST TO COAST"

We will walk from the lagoon to the ocean, learning interesting facts about the ecology in these distinct eco-systems. This program is led by a University of Florida certified coastal naturalist and will conclude with a treasure hunt along the beach. Please bring water. Limited walking is required. Meet at Turtle Mound. (1 hour)

WEDNESDAY 18TH - 1:00 PM - "ELDORA WALK"

Take a stroll through time down to the Eldora State House and learn what it would have been like to live in an agricultural village around the turn-of-the-century. Meet at parking area #8. (1 hour)

WEDNESDAY 25TH - 11:00 AM- "BEACH TREASURE HUNT" Pick up your score card from the Information Center and see how many treasures you can find. Walk the beach for fun and exercise for about 1 mile. Bring sunscreen, hats and water. Meet at Parking Area #1. (1 hour)